IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Matsumoto Examiner: Katrina R. Fujita

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Title : MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND MEDICAL

IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD

Docket No. : 060233.00005

REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time and is being submitted with an Amendment Final Rejection for the above-identified application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,050.00 for the Three-Month Extension of Time to Deposit Account No. 08-2789.

If any additional fees or any credits are necessary, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit such fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys, P.C.

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